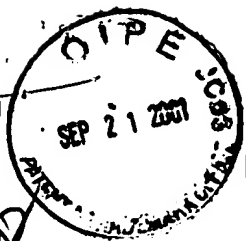


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at the top of page 8 to read as follows:

In this respect, the present invention can be adapted such that a circuit is provided to operate an auxiliary device, such as a front door, only when the vehicle is in the park position. When utilized with a digital park transmission sensor, pin 13 preferably receives a low (0v) signal through op-amp 31. This signal can also be transmitted to transistor Q5. Since transistor Q5 is an NPN transistor, the low signal switches Q5 off, and when this occurs, transistor Q6 is preferably switched on. Transistor Q6 is connected to pin 10 which in turn can be connected to an auxiliary device such as a door. When transistor Q6 is on, it preferably converts the auxiliary